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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE  
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 6, 2001 for three(3) month(s) from May 6, 2001 to August 6, 2001. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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